

FARM NUMBERS

There were 35,500 farms in Washington State in 2003, 500 farms less than in 2002. The average acres per farm was 431 acres in 2003, 5 acres more than last year, and the total acres were 15.30 million compared with 15.35 million in 2002. There were 19,700 farms with sales between \$1,000 and \$9,999 in 2003, which remained the largest economic sales class of farms. Farms with sales of between \$10,000 and \$99,999 followed with 8,900 farms.

Number of Farms and Land in Farms, 1994-2003 1/ 2/

Year	Washington			United States		
	Farms	Land in Farms		Farms	Land in Farms	
		Average	Total		Average	Total
	Number	Acres	1,000 Acres	Number	Acres	1,000 Acres
1994	38,000	416	15,800	2,197,690	440	965,935
1995	38,000	416	15,800	2,196,400	438	962,515
1996	39,000	403	15,700	2,190,500	438	958,675
1997	39,000	403	15,700	2,190,510	436	956,010
1998	40,000	393	15,700	2,191,360	435	953,500
1999	40,000	393	15,700	2,192,070	432	947,440
2000	40,000	393	15,700	2,172,280	434	943,090
2001	36,500	422	15,400	2,148,630	438	942,070
2002	36,000	426	15,350	2,135,360	440	940,300
2003	35,500	431	15,300	2,126,860	441	938,750

1/ A farm is any establishment from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were sold or would normally be sold during the year.

2/ 1994 - 1997 estimates are for a June 1 reference date, 1998 and later years are for the entire year.

Number and Land in Farms, Washington, June 1, 1999-2003 1/

Year	Economic Sales Class						Total
	\$1,000 - \$9,999	\$10,000 - \$99,999	\$100,000 - \$249,999 2/	\$250,000 - \$499,000 2/	\$500,000 & Over 2/	\$100,000 & Over	
	Number of Farms						
1999	25,700	7,500				6,800	40,000
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2001	21,000	8,700	3,000	1,800	2,000	-	36,500
2002	20,200	8,900	3,000	1,800	2,100	-	36,000
2003	19,700	8,900	3,000	1,800	2,100	-	35,500
	Land in Farms (Thousand Acres)						
1999	2,600	2,700				10,400	15,700
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2001	1,340	2,790	3,190	2,780	5,300	-	15,400
2002	1,140	2,780	3,190	2,650	5,590	-	15,350
2003	1,100	2,700	3,200	2,600	5,700	-	15,300
	Average Size of Farm (Acre)						
1999	101	360				1,529	393
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2001	64	321	1,063	1,544	2,650	-	422
2002	56	312	1,063	1,472	2,662	-	426
2003	56	303	1,067	1,444	2,714	-	431

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2/ Additional sales classes for farms with sales of "\$100,000 & Over" added in 2001.